ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Priority is given to handover calls over new calls in a mobile communications system using the CDMA method. This is achieved by rejecting requests for new calls in any one of the cases in which: an uplink interference amount estimated if the requested call is accepted exceeds an interference threshold level; a downlink total transmission power estimated if the requested call 10 is accepted exceeds a downlink transmission power

threshold; and an amount of spread code resources estimated if the requested call is accepted is lower

than a spread code threshold.